ReAd GADZUKES STEWARDSHIP CONTRACT Highlights

Iron River Ranger District

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- Stewardship End Result Contracting includes natural resource management practices seeking to promote a closer working relationship with local communities in a broad range of activities that improve land conditions. Stewardship contracting is a means for federal agencies to contribute to the development of sustainable rural communities, restore and maintain healthy forest ecosystems, and provide a continuing source of local income and employment.
- Contract Area is along Smokey Lake Road, near Homan Lake.
- There are 6 permitted entrances for access off Smokey Lake Road. Construction permit expires 06/01/2013.
- Pre-haul road maintenance on FR 3130 must be completed by 7/15/2013, due to shared future use of this road with the Roundabout Timber Sale and the Cornucopia Timber Sale.

A Pre-Bid on-site SHOW-ME trip is scheduled for 7/10/2012 at 9:30 AM (CT) at the intersection of the Smokey Lake Road and Forest Road 3130. Stewardship Project specifications will be reviewed and copies of the specifications and SAMPLE CONTRACT will be available. Attendees may also ask questions about completing the BID PACKAGE (including Technical Proposals).

Timber Cutting Summary

SPECIES & PRODUCTS		<u>adv</u>	<u>/ERTISED RATES</u>
67 CCF	Mixed Conifer	Sawtimber	\$17.94
44 CCF	Mixed Hardwood	Sawtimber	\$61.24
48 CCF	Red & White Pine	Sawtimber	\$46.60
412 CCF	Sugar Maple	Sawtimber	\$147.05
415 CCF	Aspen	Pulpwood	\$21.08
89 CCF	Mixed Conifer	Pulpwood	\$12.45
3530 CCF	Mixed Hardwood	Pulpwood	\$22.88
51 CCF	Pine	Pulpwood	\$46.59

Total Advertised Value: \$159.716.68

Normal Operating Season: December 15 - March 15 (there is the opportunity to operate during August and September if conditions are satisfactory).

Location: T43N-R36W, Sections 16, 19, 20, 30; T43N-R37W, Section 36; Iron County, Michigan; along the Smokey

Lake Road.

Termination Date: August 15, 2016 **Specified Road Work:** \$10,257.00

Required Bid Guarantee: N/A **Pre-haul Maintenance :** \$7,996.00 (appraisal allowance)

Performance Bond: N/A Road Maintenance Deposits: N/A

Downpayment: N/A

Bid Opening Date/Time: – July 26, 2012; 1:00 p.m. (Central Time)

Place of Bid Opening – Iron River/Watersmeet Ranger District office facilities on U.S. Hwy 2, across from the Ottawa National Forest Visitor Center.

Successful Bidder will be announced following award of contract. Bid results for stewardship projects are not published.

Prospective purchasers are cautioned that cutting or otherwise damaging any timber, tree, or other forest product except as authorized is prohibited (36CFR). This regulation applies to the cutting, chipping, or chopping of trees to determine tree suitability for specialty products within the proposed sale area.

For more information, please contact the Iron River/Watersmeet Ranger District for a prospectus: E23979 US 2 East, Watersmeet, MI 49969, (906) 358-4551 or TTY (906) 884-6577 or visit the Ottawa NF website @ www.fs.usda.gov/ottawa.

Gadzukes Stewardship Projects Per AT.4.4 <u>Stewardship Credits</u> of the Sample Contract

(Refer to Contract Area Map, page 2 of 3, for location of Stewardship Projects)

Mandatory Stewardship Projects				
Project Description	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity		
Road Decommission/Slash Closure				
(each road segment to have material placed across entire travelway	Each	10 road segments		
for 150 feet, minimum depth of 36 inches, with 100% of the road				
surface covered)				
Road Decommission/Construct Berm	Each	2 berms/locations		
Wildlife Opening Rehabilitation (existing Openings)	Acre	3 acres @ 1 location		
Wildlife Opening Creation (new)	Acre	1 acre @ 1 location		
Beaver Culvert Installation (special culvert design to discourage	Each	1 site		
beaver from blocking the culvert)				
Pendleton Gravel Pit Rehabilitation (pit closure)	Each	1 site		

Optional Stewardship Projects					
Project Description	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity			
Road Decommission/Slash Closure					
(each road segment to have material placed across entire travelway	Each	2 road segments			
for 150 feet, minimum depth of 36 inches, with 100% of the road					
surface covered)					
Create Wildlife Brush Piles from logging slash	Each	5 piles total @ 3 locations			
Wildlife Opening Creation (new)	Acre	3 acres total @ 3 locations			

Bidders MUST bid on ALL stewardship work or bid will be considered non-responsive. There is no minimum bid for stewardship project work. Specific Bid Items are shown in the Prospectus, Bid Form, and in the Sample Contract. Optional items may be authorized at Contract award, or thereafter. Such authorization may be for a portion or all of the Optional items. Specifications for each stewardship item are included in the SAMPLE CONTRACT. Prospective bidders are encouraged to review these specifications prior to bidding.

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